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> PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated 07/03/2003 for Three (3) month(s) from October 3, 2003 to January 3, 2004. A Response "22DEC2003" responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

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